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the state of Nebraska. The claims can be either tort claims

SENATOR LANDIS: The call is raised.

SENATOR ABBOUD: ...miscellaneous claims...miscellaneous claims, large workers' comp claims, or agency write-offs. That would be bills that are uncollected by agencies. I would appreciate your support for the introduction of these two bills that we deal with on an annualized...annual basis. Thank you.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Remember that this motion takes 30 votes, so we will want to stay close to our chairs. Senator Chambers, yours is the only light.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, since I cannot compel Senator Abboud to sing for his dinner, then I'm going to ask him a question...a couple of questions and let him earn a part of his dinner. Would you answer a question or two?

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Abboud, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR ABBOUD: Yes, I would.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Chambers, you may ask.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Senator Abboud, I don't remember how long I've been on the Business and Labor Committee, but I've been on there a good number of years, and I want to ask you, why is it that you're always late in bringing these bills so that we have to suspend the rules?

SENATOR ABBOUD: Well ...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's a good enough arswer. Thank you very much.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Abboud, you would close. You can close on the motion if you wish.

SENATOR ABBOUD: I'll close. I'll just take a moment to close.